



Federation Verification Tool

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Background

- The Federation Development phase of the FEDEP is supported by:
 - an Object Model Development Tool (OMDT) which can be used to create a Federation Object Model (FOM)
 - a Federation Execution Planners' Workbook (FEPW) tool to enable the specification of more detailed federation execution information such as object update rates
 - Together, these tools enable the federation developer to create a detailed "contract of federation execution" whose terms are described by the FED, OMT, and FEPW.
- FVT will verify whether the federation abides by the "contract of execution" as specified in these files.





Contract of Execution

- The Contract of Execution defines a set of "assertions" about the Federation
- FVT will use the information in a federation's FED, OMT, and FEPW files to verify the assertions:
 - Set Verification
 - » E.g., Does the set of object attributes that the federate updates or subscribes to match what's specified in the FEPW file?
 - Capability Verification
 - » E.g., Is the class published and/or subscribed to in a manner consistent with the OMT file's "publishable/subscribable capabilities" value?
 - Performance Verification
 - » E.g., Is the observed update frequency of the attribute consistent with the OMT file's "update type" and "update condition" values?







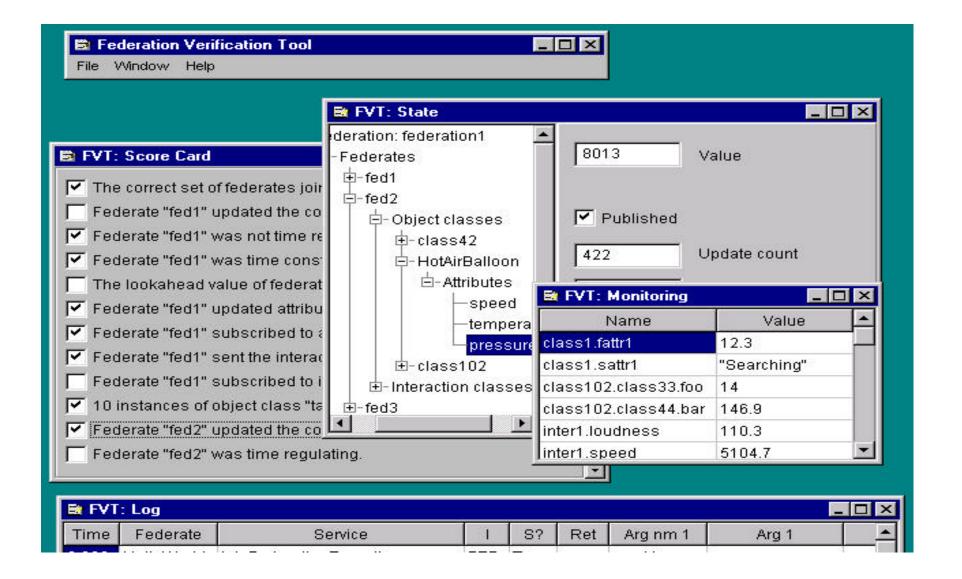
Use Cases

- FVT can be used to assist federation developers during the Federation Integration and Test process:
 - Application Testing: Verify federates can generate the objects and interactions it is responsible for in the Federation
 - » Ensure federate produces the correct service sequences, with appropriate content, and that semantic content of services is consistent and complies with the FOM.
 - » Integration Testing: Examines how one federate interacts with another federate
 - » Verify data exchanged by the Federation, as specified in its FOM, is correct.
 - Federation Execution Monitoring: Monitor information in the FOM,
 FEPW, and FED
 - » Notify user of parameters such as subscription and publication lists and number of times a specific interaction occurred.





FVT Views









FVT Score Card

FVT: Score Card
The correct set of federates joined the federation.
Federate "fed1" updated the correct set of attributes.
Federate "fed1" was not time regulating.
Federate "fed1" was time constrained.
The lookahead value of federate "fed1" was 1.3.
Federate "fed1" updated attribute "attr1" of class "class1".
Federate "fed1" subscribed to attribute "attr2" of class "class1".
Federate "fed1" sent the interaction "inter4".
Federate "fed1" subscribed to interaction "inter5".
10 instances of object class "tank" were created.
Federate "fed2" updated the correct set of attributes.
Federate "fed2" was time regulating.







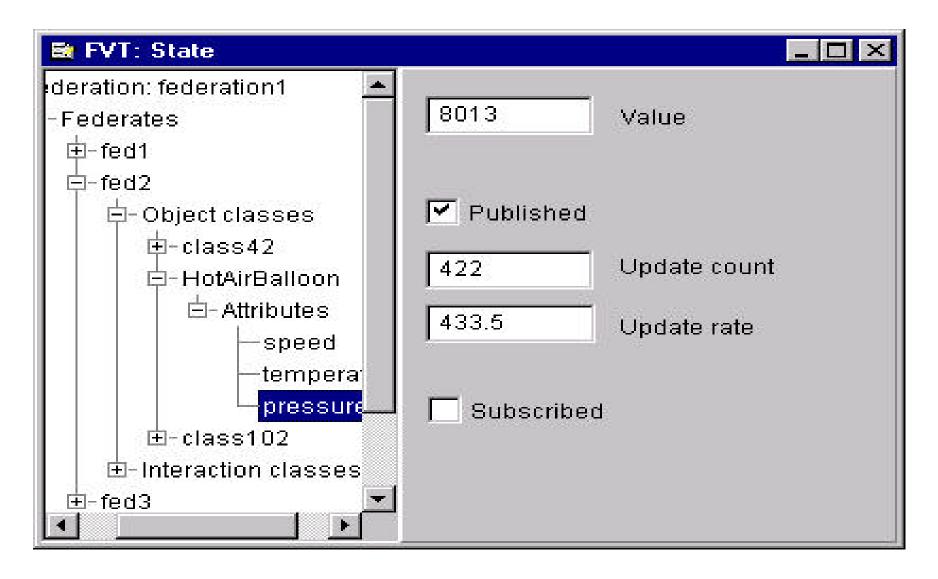
FVT Monitoring

FVT: Monitoring						
Name	Value					
class1.fattr1	12.3					
class1.sattr1	"Searching"					
class102.class33.foo	14					
class102.class44.bar	146.9					
inter1.loudness	110.3					
inter1.speed	5104.7					





FVT Tree







FVT Log

FVT: Log								
Time	Federate	Service	1	9?	Ret	Arg nm 1	Arg 1	
0.000	HelloWorld	joinFederationExecution	FED	T	17	yourName	one	ехеі
1.050	HelloWorld	getObjectClassHandle	FED	Ī	6	theName	Country	
1.051	HelloWorld	getAttributeHandle	FED	T	4	theName	Name	whi
1.053	HelloWorld	getAttributeHandle	FED	T	2	theName	Population	whi
1.070	HelloWorld	subscribeObjectClassAttribute	FED	Τ		theClass	6 (Country)	attri
1.072	HelloWorld	publishObjectClass	FED	T		theClass	6 (Country)	attri
1.080	HelloWorld	getInteractionClassHandle	FED	T	70	theName	Communication	•
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